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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**BEDFORD MAN SENTENCED FOR  
DISTRIBUTING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

**PRESS RELEASE**

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that DAVID SPROLES, 45, Bedford, Indiana, was sentenced to 33 months imprisonment yesterday afternoon by U.S. District Judge David F. Hamilton following his guilty plea to distribution of child pornography. This case was the result of an investigation by the Keene (New Hampshire) Police Department, the Bedford Police Department and Federal Bureau of Investigation.

SPROLES purchased a computer in the summer of 2002, and soon thereafter began visiting chatrooms with sexually related subjects. By the fall of 2002, SPROLES entered chatrooms on the internet involving minor age boys. SPROLES started chatting with "adam," and eventually sent "adam," whom SPROLES thought was a 14 year old boy, pictures of child

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pornography. The individual who identified himself as “adam” was really a detective from the Keene, New Hampshire Police Department.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Gayle L. Helart, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Hamilton also imposed 3 years supervised release following SPROLES’ release from imprisonment. During the period of supervised release, SPROLES must not possess pornography of any kind, have no unsupervised contact with any children, and register as a sex offender. SPROLES was fined in the amount of \$3,000.

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